



## Beyond Waste Implementation Status Report Jan 2005

Recommendations to Begin in First Year	Current Status
<b>1. Collaborating with local government</b>	
<p><b>Encourage inclusion of Beyond Waste principles into local plans.</b> (SW1)</p> <p><b>Revise local planning guidelines.</b> (SW2)</p> <p><b>Expand assistance from Ecology to local planning jurisdictions.</b> (SW3)</p> <p><b>Collaborate with local government</b> (to strategically use grant funds). (SW4)</p> <p><b>Increase residential and commercial organics recovery programs.</b> (ORG2)</p> <p><b>Fully implement local hazardous waste plans.</b> (MRW9)</p> <p><b>Identify closed and abandoned landfill and dump sites statewide.</b> (SW8 and SW9)</p>	<p>Statewide home composting assessment is being planned.</p> <p>Project approach/plan is being developed by SWFA facilities team.</p>
<b>2. Focusing on specific sectors</b>	
<p><b>Reduce threats from PBDEs.</b> Help implement Chemical Action Plan. (MRW3)</p> <p><b>Reduce threats from mercury.</b> Education and technical assistance to businesses; develop and implement household and school education. (MRW2)</p> <p><b>Specific sectors to focus on.</b> Implement Mercury Action Plan, including auto switches and lights, and in hospitals; help implement PBDE chemical action plan, general government sector and Cleaner Production Challenge. (IND1 and IND2)</p> <p><b>Develop a standardized process for sector work.</b> Workgroup will establish process for selecting future sectors to prioritize. (IND3)</p> <p><b>Prioritize substances to pursue.</b> In concert with IND3, workgroup will establish process for selecting future substances to prioritize. (MRW1)</p>	<p>Helping to develop the PBDE chemical action plan</p> <p>Working to implement the mercury action plan, including auto switches and lights, and in hospitals; Starting to scope out the general government sector. (internal survey/ meetings)</p> <p>Finished the Cleaner Production Challenge.</p>
<b>3. Leading by example in government (including EPP)</b>	
<p><b>Lead by example in state government.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop and implement environmentally preferable purchasing policies and practices and promote to users of state contracts. (MRW7)</li> <li>Maximize use and purchase of environmentally preferable products and services in the following areas: automotive products, grounds maintenance, electronics, cleaning products and flame retardants. (MRW7)</li> <li>Assistance to state government to use green building practices. (GB2)</li> <li>Maximize procurement of recycled organic products at state agencies. (ORG1)</li> </ul>	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implement yard debris, food waste and soiled paper collection and processing at state government facilities. (ORG1)</li> <li>Develop best management practices for composting food waste and soiled paper at institutions. (ORG1)</li> </ul>	Underway; schedule uncertain. Will include various types and sized of institutional facilities.
<b>4. Building demonstration projects</b>	
<b>Lead by example in state government.</b> Design and install food/paper towel compost demonstration project at Ecology HQ building. (ORG1)	Underway; currently in design phase. Should be operational summer 05
<b>5. Raising awareness, knowledge and demand</b>	
<p><b>Lead by example in state government.</b> Advertise success of demonstration projects. (ORG1)</p> <p><b>Increase awareness, knowledge and access to green building resources.</b> Support expansion of ed. programs that already being providing; work with educational institutions to include GB practices in curricula. (GB6)</p>	
<b>6. Improving technical assistance and customer relationships</b>	
<p><b>Encourage P2 Planners to address hazardous substance use including toxicity and risk in their P2 Plans.</b> (HW1) Develop incentives, technical assistance, new tools.</p> <p><b>Modify P2 Planning Program to dovetail with the Beyond Waste vision.</b> (IND5)</p> <p><b>Strive for better relationships with the regulated community.</b> HWTR inspectors more training, consistency, business experience, follow inspectors manual. (HW4)</p> <p><b>Provide/promote statewide residential GB programs.</b> Market available support, such as technical assistance, promotional materials, and checklists. (GB5)</p> <p><b>Ensure facilities handling MRW are in compliance with environmental laws and regulations.</b> Form partnership to develop/implement a plan to strengthen compliance of TSDs, MRW recyclers, and other MRW facilities. (MRW10)</p> <p><b>Reduce the administrative burden for corrective action facilities.</b> Encourage voluntary cleanup, use of orders instead of permits, reasonable and protective cleanups. (HW9)</p>	
<b>7. Providing incentives</b>	
<p><b>Explore ways to implement Beyond Waste incentives.</b> (IND10)</p> <p><b>Increase residential and commercial organics recovery programs.</b> Evaluate incentives used by other states; convene stakeholders for input on incentives. (ORG2)</p>	



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<b>Lead by example in state government.</b> Identify procured products that interfere with closed-loop organics recycling; encourage use and development of alternatives. (ORG1)	
<b>11. Developing recycling and product stewardship infrastructure</b>	
<b>Develop an electronics product stewardship infrastructure.</b> Conduct study in accordance with ESHB 2488 and participate in national/regional dialogues. (MRW4)  <b>Reduce and manage all architectural paint wastes.</b> Continue participation in national Paint Dialogue; if not successful develop an alternative northwest approach. (MRW6)	Study underway  MOU signed; 11 feasibility projects are getting started through Nat'l Paint Dialogue
<b>12. Collaborating with our key partners</b>	
<b>Negotiate the State agreement with EPA.</b> Revise state agreement between Ecology and EPA to be more in line with Beyond Waste vision. (IND8)  <b>Support EPA's "Beyond Waste" type efforts.</b> (IND13)  <b>Coordinate and facilitate partnerships to implement Green Building Action Plan.</b> Convene partnership forum to coordinate implementation of GB initiative. (GB1)  <b>Evaluate financing for the solid waste system.</b> Convene workgroup to conduct evaluations of solid waste financing. (SW14)  <b>Develop a strategy to increase industrial and agricultural organics recovery.</b> Assess barriers. (ORG4)	This effort is beginning; Ecology staff are working on a proposal to EPA  Submitted comments on EPA's Resource Conservation Challenge.          Project plan is being developed
<b>13. Collecting and analyzing data</b>	
<b>Continue the work of Ecology's data team to produce a joint Beyond Waste progress report.</b> (DATA2)  <b>Refine indicators for each initiative with our key partners.</b> (DATA3)	Ecology staff team has begun planning this effort.  Ecology staff team has begun planning this effort.